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NEED FOR WATER SEEN

Legislature Will Be Asked to
Deal With Problem of Fail-
ing Supply Here

There have been two important recent developments in the water works situation. The prospect of getting a satisfactory bill on the subject before the legislature is bright, according to word from the office of the governor. Also, artesian experts are expressing themselves as practically unanimous in the opinion that the suggestion of A. C. Wheeler, assistant superintendent of public works, that \$50,000 be appropriated for a thorough and comprehensive study of the artesian resources on the island, is an excellent one. C. K. Larrison, of the water resources branch of the U. S. geological survey, is the latest one to express his approval of this plan. When seen recently Governor Frear stated that he is thoroughly aware of the importance of the water question and of the necessity of legislation upon the subject. He says that the matter is one requiring no little amount of study, but that at the earliest possible opportunity an inclusive bill would be drafted by the attorney general's office and submitted to the legislature. Governor Frear stated that in drawing up such a bill the various reports from the water works authorities, including Little's recommendation that a central electric plant be installed and Assistant Superintendent A. C. Wheeler's request for an appropriation of \$50,000 to get expert opinion upon the subject, would be carefully considered. It is stated upon good authority that the governor has expressed himself as thinking that it would be a good thing to call upon local experts for a comprehensive, schematic, outlining a policy for conserving the water supply for the next fifty years at least.

Larrison Favors Study
G. K. Larrison, the geological survey's expert on water resources, declared this morning that Wheeler's far-reaching plan of making a thorough study of water conditions on the island is not only a good one, but that the time has come when such a study is absolutely essential to the welfare of the community.

"San Francisco has recently expended at least one hundred thousand dollars," explained Mr. Larrison, "in an investigation of her water supply and Honolulu should take a lesson from such an example. In San Francisco, however, the question of water supply is one of economy only, there is no question of dearth of water, for the city has the entire Sierra Nevada range at her back."

"In Honolulu, on the other hand, the supply is limited and there is no way of getting water here if it is exhausted. From my study of conditions, I am persuaded that, if developed properly and scientifically, the water supply on the island of Oahu is ample for at least a hundred years to come. It is necessary, however, to proceed carefully and to make a thorough study of conditions from every standpoint. Soundings should be made by experts and the amount of the underground supply estimated and the best means for its preservation considered."

The question of forest cover should be gone into, and all other things considered which effect in any way the supply of water. In the question of getting the water to the consumer the most economical way is to follow a comprehensive plan so that the plant installed will not only serve present purposes but will also answer the needs of the future. It is the

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NOW AUDITOR BICKNELL
HOLDS UP WARRANTS

Asks Legal Opinion from City
Attorney—Hardesty Case
Not Yet Settled

Extensive dealing in public contracts by public officials, in violation of Act 52 of the legislature of 1911, may be uncovered here as the result of the recent disclosures in the case of Supervisor Hardesty.

The Star-Bulletin's publication of the fact that Supervisor Hardesty, a member of the road committee, was employed on a city sidewalk job, led yesterday afternoon to the discovery of a similar and even more direct case of a public official being interested in a public job.

Auditor James Bicknell yesterday afternoon held up two warrants calling for the payment of \$627.50 to Manuel K. Cook of Honolulu. Manuel Cook is chief clerk in the department of public works, and the warrants were drawn to pay him for two coal contracts he had been awarded by the board of supervisors. In other words, Mr. Cook has been dealing in city coal contracts.

Auditor Bicknell referred the matter to the city attorney's office for an opinion as to whether the warrants should be paid.

"In view of the publication of the facts in the Hardesty case and my reading of Act 52 I do not feel like passing these warrants," he said this morning. "The question involved is that of a public official dealing in a city and county contract."

Two Warrants Held up.
The first warrant, No. 3961, calls for the payment of \$187.50 for fifteen tons of coal sold by Cook to the city and charged up to the Ewa road district, the coal being used in steam-rollers on road work here.

The second warrant, No. 3991, calls for the payment of \$440 for forty tons of coal sold by Cook to the city and charged up to the Honolulu road district. This warrant is signed by

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STERILIZATION FOR CRIMINALS PROPOSED

Dr. Archer Irwin came to the fore again today as a proponent of radical physical treatments. This time it is a measure to sterilize epileptics, rapists, feeble-minded, criminal and other defectives. Dr. Irwin introduced the bill this afternoon.

The same representative is the author of another unique measure that appeared in the lower branch last week, proposing to require a physical examination of prospective brides and grooms before the marriage license is granted.

SHOTS TO FIRE

The effect of the determination to Americanize the Hawaiian Islands has been a steady increase in the wage-rates, consequently in the cost of producing sugar.

greatest waste of money to install improvements by patchwork; we should have out campaign for supplying the island with a sufficient supply of water well mapped out before we proceed very far. And Wheeler's plan of getting an appropriation from the legislature for the purpose of getting the advice of local experts on the water situation is the best thing I have heard of in a long time."

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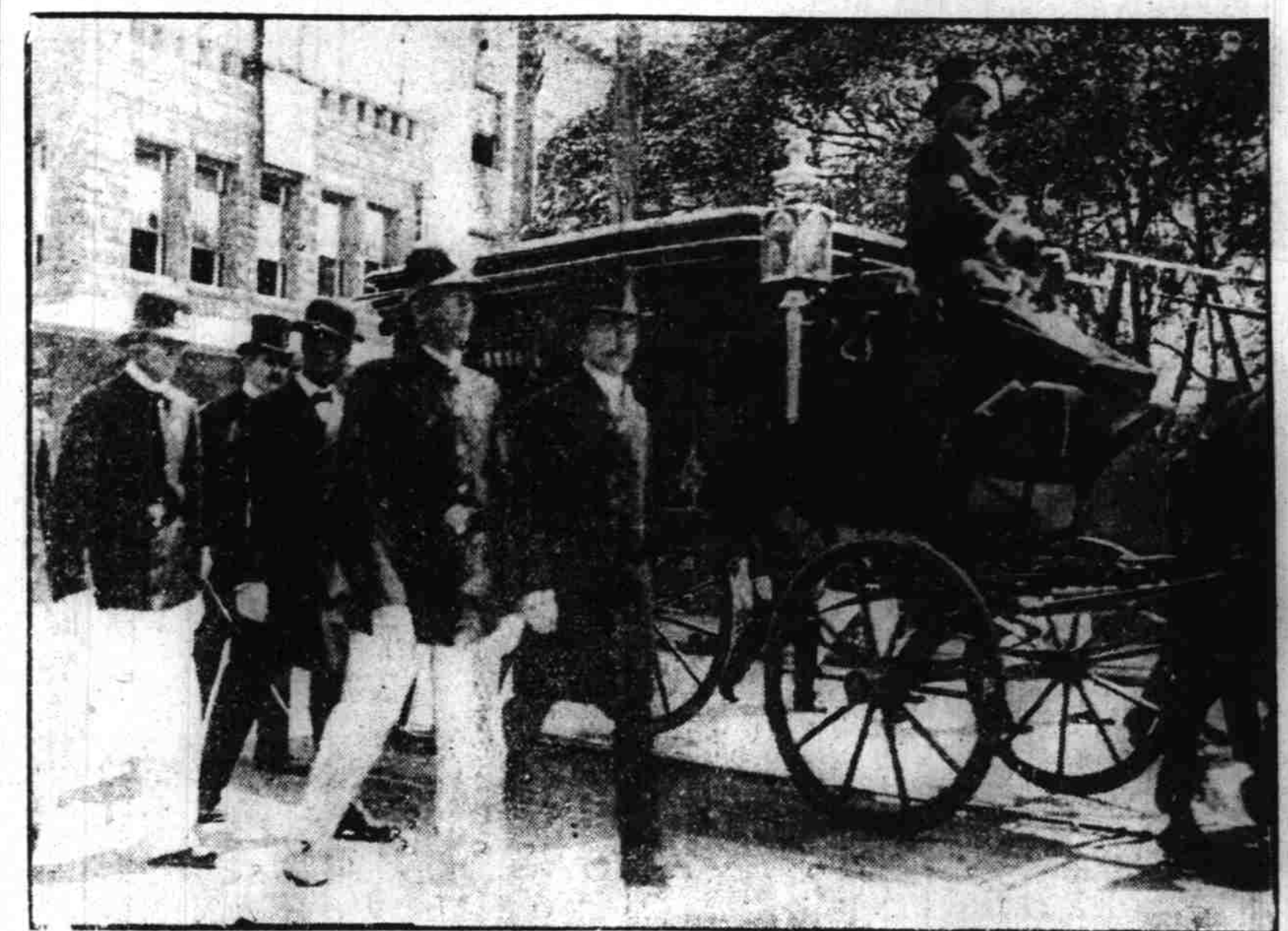
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Solemn Procession As Members Of Legislature Escort Body Of Colleague Through The Streets



Honolulu yesterday witnessed the impressive and unusual spectacle of the entire legislature turning out to pay a last tribute of respect to a late comrade, Senator George C. Hewitt of Hawaii, whose death occurred while the legislature was in session. The above photographs were taken by a Star-Bulletin staff photographer. The large photo shows President E. A. Knudsen of the senate marching beside the draped hearse.

PUBLIC LEGISLATIVE
HEARINGS TODAY
SENATE: 3 p. m.—Discussion of \$200,000 appropriation for exhibition.
8 p. m.—Workmen's compensation act.
HOUSE: 4 p. m.—Discussion of bill to repeal law closing bars, bershops on Sunday.
7 p. m.—Public utilities act.
Tomorrow Evening.
8 p. m.—Rapid Transit franchise hearing in Hall of Representatives.

GIRLS LISTEN TO SENATE DEBATE

After Senator Makekau's bill providing for a franchise for the manufacture of gas in Hilo has passed swimmingly through third reading in the house, and after the senate had all but peacefully proceeded through the order of the day, it remained for little house bill 93, introduced by Representative Tavares to cause the record debate of the session, and also the record number of laughs. All of which was listened to with delight by the senior class of the normal school, visitors during the morning work.

Representative Tavares' little bill provides a manner of making arrests, and also fixes a penalty for violating it. After passing in the house, the bill came to the senate, where it was assigned to the judiciary committee and was afterwards favorably reported out, signed by all the members of the committee. It looked like it would pass this morning at third reading as swimmingly as did Senator Makekau's pet, but the reading had no sooner commenced than Senators Coke and Chillingworth, both members of the judiciary committee who passed on the measure, rose in opposition.

It was a surprise. And as a result of the surprise the bill was not only lost at third reading but was tabled as well, by way of good luck and good measure.

Both of the senators fighting it stated that the report had been signed by them hastily, and since that time they had become convinced that it was pernicious. Senators Brown and Judd defended the measure, and expressed their regret that the report had been signed hastily by Coke and Chillingworth.

This ceremony, it was argued, would stop justice being done in many cases, and would throw a shield in front of the gambling element, who would throw have time to conceal the evidence of their game before an officer could perform the prerequisite ceremony prior to breaking down a door.

"I am satisfied such a law would be pernicious, though undoubtedly Representative Tavares did not foresee this," stated Senator Chillingworth. Senator Judd asked to be allowed to state as chairman of the committee that though a large amount of work was before that body, it found time to go into the different bills thoroughly and believed the law a needy one, if followed in its reasonable spirit and with intelligent interpretation. On vote, ten of the senators cast their ballot to defeat it, four to pass it.



JOY RIDERS TALKED OVER VICTIM'S FATE

Member of 'Death-Party' in the
Auto Turns State's Evidence
and Tells Story

KNEW THEY HAD RUN
DOWN THE JAPANESE

Then Discussed Dumping of In-
jured Man in Atkinson Park.
'Mum's the Word'

The possible fate of Susuke Mihara, a Japanese, run down by a party of five youths in a car driven by Fred McCarty, was deliberately discussed while the joy riders sped through the city streets prior to depositing the unconscious body of the maimed and helpless Japanese in the desolate and deserted Atkinson Park in the lower part of the city.

Such was the admission coming from C. L. Asselyn, a member of the quintette who has turned state's evidence in the case wherein McCarty, Wessel, Machado, Gini and himself were involved upon a charge of conspiracy.

His story is as follows:
"We had been visiting in Iwilei, when, about 9 o'clock that evening, with McCarty at the wheel, the car started for town, following a route along the Iwilei road to its intersection with King street."

"Here we stopped and made the discovery that a Japanese was lying in the roadway, some five feet behind and a little to the left of the car. Taking it for granted that we had run down the Japanese we gathered him up and placed him in the car. Didn't Think It Was Serious."

The route followed by the party was pretty accurately traced by Asselyn, who told a story of the accident to the Japanese that sent the sufferer to the hospital where for some time it was thought that he would not recover.

Attorneys Straus and Atkinson, representing Machado, Gini and Wessel, engaged in several lively tilts with Prosecuting Attorney Brown, who finally drew from Asselyn a series of important admissions.

With McCarty on the front seat and

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JAPAN MAY NOT EXHIBIT AT 'FRISCO

Nippon Government Said to Re-
sist Measure Before State
Lawmaking Body

(Associated Press Cable)
VANCOUVER, Wash., Mar. 19.—From cables received here from Tokio today, it is learned that Japan has taken the official position that she will withdraw from participation in the Panama-Pacific Exposition if the state legislature passes pending measures hostile to Japanese residents of California and Japanese interests otherwise involved.

HOUSE RULED BY DEMOCRATS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 19.—The new house of representatives will comprise 290 Democrats, of whom 103 are new-comers. There will be 145 Republicans in the house, of whom 55 are new-comers.

TURKEY IS VICTOR IN BATTLE

Constantinople Wild with En-
thusiasm Over News of 24-
Hour Engagement

(Associated Press Cable)
CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, March 19.—Amid wild enthusiasm, Turkey is officially claiming victory in a great twenty-four hour battle that has occupied the entire lines at Tostatalja. It is declared that the Turks have repulsed the Allies with severe losses. According to the official report given out here, the Ottomans drove the Bulgarians back to their trenches and then captured the heights hitherto occupied by the invaders. Losses were heavy on both sides.

GEORGE ASSASSINATED FOR CLOSING SCHOOL RUN BY ANARCHIST

SALONIKI, Turkey, March 10.—It was learned today that the king was assassinated because he had ordered closed the school conducted by Alexander Schiras, one of the assassins. At this school, it is claimed, anarchistic doctrines have been taught.

PRINCE CONSTANTINE GOES TO SALONIKI

JANINA, Turkey, March 19.—Prince Constantine of Greece, who has been with the Greek forces here, is gripped with the assassination of King George yesterday. He has gone to Saloniki to take charge of the body. The body, it is reported, has been embalmed and taken to the palace.

TO QUIT VOLO

VOLO, Turkey, March 19.—It is intended to abdicate this place when peace is agreed upon.

U. S. S. MARYLAND SENT TO MEXICO

(Associated Press Cable)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 19.—On account of the threatening Mexican situation, the cruiser Maryland has been ordered to sail for the south at once.

SAY GOT MILLION FROM THE BANKS

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 19.—Antonio Musica, of New York, and his three sons have been arrested here charged with defrauding American and European banks of approximately a million dollars.

ORDERS ISSUED FOR MORE ARTILLERY HERE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—The expected orders have been issued for the Fifty-eighth Company, Coast Artillery, to embark at San Francisco for Hawaii on May 5. The Fifty-eighth will be sent to Fort De Russy.

YOUNGSTERS UP ON BURGLARY CHARGE

Charged with having entered the Country Club about 1 o'clock in the morning and having rifled and smashed the cash register, and extracted therefrom about fifty dollars in cash, three boys of about fourteen years of age were arraigned this afternoon before Judge Whitney in the juvenile court. The cash taken, they testified was divided with about four boys of older years, who took part in the burglary. A part of what is known as the "ant gang" and is known through the robbery by the names of the boys. The boys are said to be members of the so-called "ant gang."